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REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF MILLBURY, MASS.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1875.

WORCESTER :

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Town Officers, 1874-75.

SELECTMEN,

E. E. FORBES,
RUFUS CARTER,
JOHN MARTIN.

TOWN CLERK,

IRA N. GODDARD.

TREASURER.

DAVID ATWOOD.

ASSESSORS.

JOHN HOPKINS, HORACE ARMSBY.
DAVID ATWOOD,

COLLECTOR,

RUFUS CARTER.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

MAYNARD PUTNAM, WARREN A. HARRIS,
ROBERT JONES.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS,

JONA. E. WATERS, WARREN SWEETSER,
C. P. STREETER.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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| JOHN HOPKINS, | Term expires | 1877. | T. R. HARRINGTON, | Term expires | 1876. |
| *DAVID ATWOOD | " | 1877. | GEO. A. FLAGG, | " | 1875. |
| H. L. BANCROFT, | " | 1876. | H. W. DAVIDSON, | " | 1875. |

TRUSTEES OF TOWN LIBRARY.

AMOS ARMSBY, Term expires 1877.
I. B. SAYLES, " 1876.
JOHN HOPKINS, " 1875.

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERY.

B. B. HOWARD, Term expires 1877.
N. H. SEARS, " 1876.
BENJ. FLAGG, " 1875.

CONSTABLES.

William Ryan, A. L. Lincoln, J. B. Stewart, George H. Hall,
O. Z. Bartlett, C. D. Taft, Thomas Berth.

*David Atwood resigned in August, and Irving B. Sayles was chosen in his place.

Report of Selectmen.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Millbury:

Your Selectmen respectfully present the following Report of the Financial affairs of the Town, for the year ending Feb. 28, 1875.

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Orders to

| | |
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| A. W. Wood for repairs on Town Hall, (setting glass,) | \$2 35 |
| A. J. Marble for survey ordered by committee of 1873, on water supply, | 98 70 |
| A. J. Marble for survey ordered by Town Hall Committee, | 77 00 |
| Tyler & Seagrave for printing Reports, 1873-4, | 153 42 |
| Rhodes & Simpson, rent of town office room, | 100 00 |
| John Hopkins, account book for Assessors, | 5 00 |
| H. E. Newell, settees for Town Hall, | 54 00 |
| Overseers House Correction, support of Wm. Waters, | 8 75 |
| I. N. Goddard, Insurance on School Houses, | 75 00 |
| do., do., do., | 132 99 |
| N. H. Sears, Land for addition to Cemetery, | 50 00 |
| do., do., do., | 15 00 |
| do., Blank deeds for cemetery lots, and book for recording the same, | 26 60 |
| M. D. Garfield, survey on Grove street, on account of claims for land damages, | 28 85 |
| H. A. Aiken, printing for Assessors, | 5 00 |
| A. Armsby, copying valuation and tax list, | 12 00 |
| Bartholomew Cotter for land damage, street near P. & W. R. R. Depot, | 279 30 |
| John Hopkins for court fees in Cotter case, | 41 41 |
| I. N. Goddard for recording births, deaths and marriages, extra writing, express and postage, | 122 00 |
| D. Atwood for writing for Selectmen, printing and postage, | 26 50 |
| D. Mulhane for returning deaths, | 8 00 |

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| Wm. Ryan for care of lock-up, | 50 00 |
| do., repairs on same, | 21 80 |
| do., posting warrants, killing dogs, and re- turning deaths, | 36 22 |
| do., care of town hall, for year ending May 1st, 1875, | 100 00 |
| do., Repairs on town hall, cleaning, paint- ing, chairs and other supplies for same, | 168 88 |
| John Hopkins, services as Assessor, | 150 00 |
| Horace Armsby, do., | 100 00 |
| David Atwood, do., | 100 00 |
| Geo. A. Flagg, services as school committee, | 100 00 |
| John Hopkins, do., | 50 00 |
| H. L. Bancroft, do., | 30 00 |
| T. R. Harrington, do., | 50 00 |
| H. W. Davidson, do., | 30 00 |
| D. Atwood, do., | 18 75 |
| do., Copying Assessors' book for state au- thorities, | 25 00 |
| R. Carter, services as collector, | 250 00 |
| E. E. Forbes, services as selectman, | 75 00 |
| R. Carter, do., | 75 00 |
| John Martin do., | 75 00 |
| D. Atwood, services as treasurer, | 125 00 |

\$2,952 50

HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES & NEW ROADS.

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| Orders to Road Commissioners, | 10,352 24 |
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SCHOOLS.

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| Orders to School Committee for support of Schools, | 8,359 76 |
| do., do., for repairs on School Houses, | 300 00 |

8,659 76

SUPPORT OF POOR.

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| Orders to Overseers of Poor, | 2,204 20 |
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STATE AID.

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| Orders to D. Atwood, Treasurer, for State aid paid to disabled soldiers and families of the slain, | 1,280 00 |
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TOWN LIBRARY.

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| Orders to Trustees, | 862 06 |
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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| Orders to Engineers, | 2010 34 |
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SCHOOL BOOKS.

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| Orders to I. N. Goddard for school books, | 353 44 |
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CEMETERIES.

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| Orders to Trustees, | 799 09 |
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MEMORIAL DAY.

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| Orders to the Committee | 96 55 |
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

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| Order to Rufus Carter, collector, | 409 58 |
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NOTES PAID.

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| Orders to D. Atwood, Treasurer, to pay : | |
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| Note to Millbury National Bank, dated Feb. 28, 1874, | 2,500 00 |
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| “ “ “ Apr. 1, “ | 2,500 00 |
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| “ “ “ May 5, “ | 2,000 00 |
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| “ “ “ June 3, “ | 3,000 00 |
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| “ “ “ “ 9, “ | 2,000 00 |
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| “ “ “ July 1, “ | 2,500 00 |
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| Balance of a note of \$7,500 to Millbury Savings Bank, dated Oct. 20, 1869,—4,000 paid March 8, 1873, | 3,500 00 |
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| Note to Simon Dudley, dated April 1st, 1870, | 1,500 00 |
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| | 19,500 00 |
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OLD BILLS.

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| Order to P. Powers, repairing roof of Town Hall, 1873, | 22 58 |
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| Henry Marble, witness fees, 1873, | 2 10 |
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| Trustees Cemetery for work done in 1873, | 84 29 |
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| | 108 97 |
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INTEREST.

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| Orders to D. Atwood, Treas. to pay interest to Millbury Savings Bank, | 1,645 00 |
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| Simon Dudley's estate, | 148 75 |
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| Discount to Millbury National Bank, | 241 88 |
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| | 2,035 63 |
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ARMORY RENT.

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| Order to H. A. Aiken for rent of Hall, | 100 00 |
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TAXES PAID.

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| State tax, due Dec. 1, 1874, | 3,120 00 |
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| National Bank tax of non-residents, | 2,208 31 |
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| County tax, | 3,076 24 |
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| | 8,404 55 |
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ABOVE TAXES PAID BY

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| State aid allowed and credited, | 1,299 73 |
| Corporation tax, do., | 266 03 |
| National Bank tax, | 188 34 |
| Order to D. Atwood, Treasurer, balance State and | |
| Bank taxes, | 3,574 21 |
| Rufus Carter, collector for County tax, | 3,076 24 |
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| | 8,404 55 |

RECAPITULATION.

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|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Miscellaneous expenses, | \$2,952 50 |
| Highways, Bridges and New Roads, | 10,352 24 |
| Schools and repairs on School Houses, | 8,659 76 |
| Support of poor, | 2,204 20 |
| State Aid, | 1,280 00 |
| Town Library, | 862 06 |
| Fire Department, | 2,010 34 |
| School Books, | 353 44 |
| Cemeteries, | 799 09 |
| Memorial Day, | 96 55 |
| Abatement of Taxes, | 409 58 |
| Notes paid, | 19,500 00 |
| Old Bills, | 108 97 |
| Interest paid, | 2,035 63 |
| Armory Rent, | 100 00 |
| Taxes paid, | 8,404 55 |
| Less State credits as above, | 1,754 10 |
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| | \$6,650 45 |
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| | \$58,374 81 |

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

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| Notes to Millbury Savings Bank, | 20,000 00 |
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AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

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| Due from State for State Aid to Feb. 28, 1875, | 1,768 00 |
| School Books in hands of Agents, | 500 00 |
| Cash in Treasury, | 940 68 |
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| | \$3,208 68 |

UNAVAILABLE PROPERTY.

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Seven School Houses, | \$35,000 00 |
| High School Building and Furniture, | 6,000 00 |
| Cemetery Lots unsold, | 400 00 |
| Land adjoining Cemetery, | 700 00 |
| Town Farm, | 5,000 00 |

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| Personal Property on Farm, | 2,347 00 |
| Gravel lots, | 600 00 |
| Three Engine Houses, | 700 00 |
| Hearse House, | 400 00 |
| Land near Town House, | 1,800 00 |
| Hearse and Harness, | 800 00 |
| Lock-up, | 1,000 00 |
| Fire Engines, Hose Carriages and Hose, | 1,500 00 |

\$56,247 00

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

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|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Liabilities, | \$20,000 00 |
| Available resources deducted, | 3,208 68 |

16,791 32

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| Town debt, Feb. 28, 1874, | 24,761 17 |
| “ March 1, 1875, | 16,791 32 |
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| “ Diminished, | \$7,969 85 |

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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| E. E. FORBES, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| RUFUS CARTER, | |
| JOHN MARTIN, | |

of

Millbury.

LIST OF JURORS

Selected by the Selectmen for the acceptance of the Town,
March 1, 1875.

Armsby, Horace,
Armsby, Amos,
Aiken, Henry A.
Atwood, David,
Barrow, Thomas A.
Barker, Calvin W.
Baker, Wm. E.
Buck, Richard T.
Broadbent, John,
Carter, Rufus,
Cunningham, R. C.
Davidson, W. G.
Davis, A. B.
Duggan, C. W.
Flagg, Benjamin,
Forbes, E. E.
Faneuf, J. L. A.
Garfield, A. P.
Gale, C. F.
Glazier, Ira,
Glover, Warren,
Holman, E. M.
Holman, R. N.
Hull, Samuel E.
Hall, Asa,

Joslin, S. R.
Livermore, A. G.
Ladd, A. D.
Mallalieu, Geo. W.
Morse, C. D.
Marble, Henry,
McIntire, B. F.
Martin, John,
Marble, Samuel W.
Merriam, F. H.
Maxham, C. H.
Pope, John W.
Parker, S. R.
Powers, D. A.
Sayles, I. B.
Sears, N. H.
Sweetser, H. W.
Waters, J. E.
Wood, J. G.
Waters, O. H.
Waters, Samuel D.
Wheeler, Moses W.
Winter, T. A.
Woodward, Hosea L.
Wheelock, Thomas.

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Treasurer's Report,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1875.

Dr.

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| Cash in Treasury as per last Report, | \$425 83 |
| Borrowed of Millbury National Bank, | 12,000 00 |
| Received from Collector and not accounted for in last Report, | 65 11 |
| Dividend from People's Fire Insurance Co., | 30 03 |
| Received for rent of Town Hall, (A. W. Wood) | 18 75 |
| “ Licenses, | 8 00 |
| “ of E. Dudley for Cemetery Lot, | 15 00 |
| “ for Auctioneer's License, | 2 00 |
| “ from State School Fund, | 359 76 |
| “ “ State Treasurer, for rent of Armory, | 50 00 |
| “ “ County Treas., refunded Dog tax, | 408 22 |
| “ “ Warren Harris for sand, | 23 00 |
| “ “ Treas. of Townsend for help fur- nished Reuben Gassett and family, | 58 45 |
| “ of Wm. Ryan, for rent of town hall to March 1, 1875, | 142 00 |
| “ Wm. Ryan, for Cemetery lots sold by him, | 147 75 |
| “ E. Dudley for school books, | 61 55 |
| “ A. B. Lovell, do., | 109 55 |
| “ Ira Glazier, do., | 16 20 |
| “ I. N. Goddard, do., | 258 67 |
| “ R. Carter, tax bill of 1874, | 44,891 34 |
| “ do., Interest on overdue taxes, | 224 28 |
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| | \$59,315 49 |

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| Orders of Selectmen paid, | 58,132 93 |
| Discount paid Millbury National Bank, | 241 88 |
| Cash in Treasury, | 940 68 |
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| | \$59,315 49 |

D. ATWOOD, *Treasurer.*

Report of Overseers.

Report of Overseers of the Poor, for the year ending March 1st, 1875.

EXPENDITURES AT ALMSHOUSE ESTABLISHMENT.

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| Paid for groceries, | 83 10 |
| flour, | 26 00 |
| services for sick cows, | 2 50 |
| clothing for inmates, | 27 50 |
| burial expenses of H. Barton, | 21 50 |
| bone, plaster and phosphate, | 34 22 |
| grain and grinding, | 52 67 |
| 2 cows and calf, | 77 00 |
| labor on farm, | 100 61 |
| blacksmithing, | 18 23 |
| butchering, | 3 75 |
| meat and fish, | 34 56 |
| doctor's bills and medicine, | 24 73 |
| grain and seed to plant, | 14 64 |
| sawing lumber, | 475 00 |
| repairs, | 24 27 |
| shingles, | 35 00 |
| D. Wood, for weighing, | 55 |
| farming tools, | 5 15 |
| household articles, | 4 74 |
| S. A. Small's bill for making cider, | 8 19 |
| 3 pigs, | 15 00 |
| W. A. Harris' bill, | 1 00 |
| sawing shingles, | 7 50 |
| 1 yoke oxen, | 150 00 |
| J. Ellis' bill for shingling, | 8 00 |
| Sullivan Bancroft, surveying lumber, | 3 00 |
| Wilmington Young, services, | 22 40 |
| Millbury Protective Union, balance | |
| account, April 1st, 1874, | 16 39 |
| John Hopkins, for collecting, | 2 00 |
| Agent's Salary, | 500 00 |
| | <hr/> \$1,328 95 |

SUPPORT OF POOR AWAY FROM FARM.

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| Paid for L. T. Pierce, | 14 75 |
| Mrs. Kelley, | 45 |
| Peter McCune, | 19 65 |
| Reuben Gasset, | 58 45 |
| Kate Flynn, | 44 24 |
| Sarah Parient, | 19 50 |
| Henry Hobart, | 7 75 |
| Joseph Theriaque, | 4 00 |
| Charles Adams, | 10 00 |
| Daniel Cobb, | 40 00 |
| C. A. Felton, | 20 00 |
| Mrs. Flancher, | 16 00 |
| Matthew Toomey, | 49 00 |
| David Waters, | 6 80 |
| Mrs. John Hall, | 51 00 |
| Fred W. Mahan, | 5 17 |
| Edward Terrel, | 431 00 |
| Sumner R. Bixby, | 6 00 |
| Catherine Bonzey, | 11 31 |
| Betsey Bonzey, | 3 00 |
| Nancy Eager, | 4 00 |
| William Luke, | 2 55 |
| Wm. A. Goodell, board at Hos- pital, | 174 94 |
| Expense of Owen Canty to Boston, | 6 45 |
| City of Worcester, | 76 45 |
| Town of Douglas, aid to S. Eager and family, | 74 55 |
| Alexander Youngs, wife and family, | 12 00 |
| Wm. Ryan opening and filling grave of S. Eager, | 3 00 |
| " old bills of 1870, & '72. | 42 00 |
| " burial service S. Eager, | 7 00 |
| Telegraph dispatch of S. Eager, | 40 |
| Doctor Lincoln for aid and assist- ance in taking Mrs. Falon to the Hospital, | 8 00 |
| City of Worcester, | 46 36 |
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EXPENSES OF SMALL POX.

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| Paid aid for Charles Sumptor, Grafton, | 38 75 |
| N. H. Sears for Medicine, | 2 80 |
| Sweetser & Co. for Goods, | 48 46 |
| Doctor Lincoln for Medical Services, | 59 00 |
| Wm. Ryan, burial services Hope family, | 14 50 |
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| \$163 51 | |

STATE PAUPERS.

| | | |
|---|--------|----------|
| Paid Mrs. Radigan, | 92 79 | |
| Adeline Merrel, | 41 50 | |
| Patrick McNamee, | 7 75 | |
| Owen Smith, | 2 37 | |
| Kate Handy, | 2 00 | |
| Mrs. Batty, | 12 00 | |
| Oliver Laffin, | 18 00 | |
| Joseph Tatro, | 3 00 | |
| John McCarty, | 3 00 | |
| Oliver Vange, | 2 00 | |
| Felix Flagg, | 13 00 | |
| William Horkley, | 10 00 | |
| Mrs. C. Gardner, | 5 00 | |
| Mrs. Gokey, | 5 00 | |
| Mrs. Venielline, | 5 00 | |
| Thomas Harding, | 50 | |
| Amy Allbrose, | 1 00 | |
| Margaret Holden, | 50 | |
| Sarah Fay, | 50 | |
| Doctor Lincoln, Medical services to Mrs. | | |
| Jas. Sutliff, | 3 00 | |
| do., do., Mrs. Radigan, | 20 00 | |
| do., do., Adeline Merrel, | 6 00 | |
| do., do., Thomas Harding, | 6 00 | |
| Wm. Ryan, burial Services of Gloss child, | 7 75 | |
| do., do., Mrs. Jas. Sutliff, | 27 00 | |
| do., do., Wm. Garder, | 15 00 | |
| Coal for Lock-up, | 16 59 | |
| 2 Mattrasses do., | 5 00 | |
| 2 chairs do., | 60 | |
| Cleaning vault to do., | 2 00 | |
| Maynard Putnam, entertaining 776 | | |
| travelers, | 388 00 | |
| | | \$721 85 |

SERVICES AND EXPENSES OF OVERSEERS.

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| Maynard Putnam, | 80 00 | |
| Warren A. Harris, | 50 00 | |
| Robert Jones, | 50 00 | |
| Postage and Stationery, | 2 00 | |
| | | \$182 00 |

INCOME FROM FARM.

| | |
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| Received for Butter, | 115 17 |
| Cheese, | 5 53 |
| Eggs, | 12 25 |

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| Received for Milk, | 1 62 | |
| Rye, | 6 60 | |
| Cows and Heifers, | 155 00 | |
| 2 Shoats, | 20 00 | |
| Beef, | 21 56 | |
| Veal, | 52 72 | |
| Hides, | 17 98 | |
| Hay, | 31 11 | |
| 1-2 Cord Wood, | 3 25 | |
| Potatoes, | 56 88 | |
| Pork, | 70 24 | |
| Labor from Farm, | 23 25 | |
| 330 feet Timber and Oak logs, | 8 60 | |
| Old Iron, | 1 08 | |
| 2 Dinners, | 50 | |
| Cider, | 25 | |
| Pickles, | 1 09 | |
| Apples, | 15 00 | |
| Straw, | 25 45 | |
| Improvement of Stock, | 7 50 | |
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| | | \$652 63 |

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

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|------------------------------------|--------|
| 1 yoke oxen, | 170 00 |
| 1 do., | 200 00 |
| 5 cows, | 240 00 |
| 1 yearling, | 10 00 |
| 1 horse, | 200 00 |
| 1 harness, | 35 00 |
| 3 shoats, | 30 00 |
| 20 hens, | 15 00 |
| 8 tons English hay, | 160 00 |
| 8 " meadow hay, | 80 00 |
| 1 ton corn fodder, | 10 00 |
| 12 1-2 bushel oats, | 10 00 |
| 12 " rye, | 13 00 |
| 20 " corn, | 22 00 |
| 3 bags meal, | 5 50 |
| 2 bushels salt, | 1 37 |
| 2 " beans, | 4 00 |
| 1 sleigh, | 15 00 |
| 1 winnowing mill and corn sheller, | 10 00 |
| Grain cradle and balances, | 5 00 |
| 4 hoes, | 1 00 |
| 3 dung forks, | 2 00 |
| 4 shovels, | 3 00 |

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| 2 iron bars and picks, | 3 00 |
| 4 draft chains, | 7 00 |
| 5 stake chains, | 1 25 |
| 1 lead harness, | 2 00 |
| 4 pitchforks, | 4 00 |
| 2 ladders, | 4 00 |
| 6 rakes, | 2 00 |
| 5 yokes, | 8 00 |
| 1 chest tools, | 10 00 |
| 1 cultivator, | 10 00 |
| 1 horse rake, | 30 00 |
| 1 lumber wagon, | 70 00 |
| 2 ox sleds, | 18 00 |
| 1 horse sled, | 10 00 |
| 1 mowing machine, | 35 00 |
| 8 drills and hammer, | 4 00 |
| 8 scythe snaths, | 2 00 |
| 1 ox wagon, | 25 00 |
| 2 ox carts, | 40 00 |
| 1 buggy, | 25 00 |
| 2 harrows, | 5 00 |
| 40 lbs. lead pipe, | 4 80 |
| 1 bush scythe and snath, | 1 00 |
| 1 sett measures, | 75 |
| 6 axes, | 3 00 |
| 1 hay knife, | 75 |
| 3 1-4 thousand chest. shingles, | 9 75 |
| 3 1-2 " pine " | 17 50 |
| 3-4 cask lime, | 2 00 |
| 2 plow wheels, | 1 00 |
| 1 horse blanket, | 3 00 |
| 3-4 cask nails, | 4 00 |
| 1755 feet lumber, | 33 00 |
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| \$1,657 67 | |

PROVISIONS.

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| 11 barrels apples, | 11 00 |
| 110 bushels potatoes, | 99 00 |
| 10 " small potatoes, | 3 00 |
| 340 gallons cider, | 34 00 |
| 60 " vinegar, | 15 00 |
| 450 pounds pork, | 72 00 |
| 75 " salt beef, | 7 50 |
| 1 barrel salt pickles, | 5 00 |
| 4 1-2 gallons cider molasses, | 4 00 |
| Cabbage and pumpkin, | 2 00 |

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| Beets and turnips, | 1 25 |
| 25 pounds butter, | 10 10 |
| 65 " cheese, | 11 70 |
| 40 " sausage, | 6 00 |
| 25 " tallow, | 2 50 |
| 26 " pie meat, | 5 20 |
| 22 1-2 lbs. candles, | 2 62 |
| 8 lbs. dried pumpkin and 6 lbs. dried corn, | 2 00 |
| 150 lbs. fresh meat, | 22 50 |
| 6 hams and 5 shoulders, | 25 76 |
| 82 lbs. lard, | 14 76 |
| 75 lbs. dried apples, | 10 00 |
| 1 barrel flour, | 8 00 |
| 1 bushel bread meal, | 1 00 |
| 6 lbs. coffee, | 1 20 |
| 1 1-4 lbs. tea, | 1 25 |
| Sugar, | 50 |
| 2 gallons molasses, | 1 50 |
| do. apple sauce, | 1 50 |
| 14 lbs. dried beef, | 2 80 |
| 20 lbs. smoked chops, | 4 00 |
| 2 1-2 doz. eggs, | 1 00 |
| 1 1-2 lbs. saleratus, | 15 |
| 1-4 lb. nutmegs, | 36 |
| 1-2 allspice, | 30 |
| 1 1-2 raisins, | 30 |
| 3 quarts washing fluid, | 37 |
| 12 gallons soap, | 2 00 |
| 18 lbs. soap grease, | 54 |

 \$393 66

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

| | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| 12 feather beds, | 120 00 |
| 1 hair matrass, | 15 00 |
| 7 stoves and furniture, | 45 00 |
| 1 extension table, | 20 00 |
| 4 common tables, | 8 00 |
| 4 clocks, | 6 00 |
| 2 spittoons, | 1 00 |
| 29 chairs and 9 rockers, | 4 90 |
| 3 mirrors, | 2 00 |
| 2 churns, | 8 00 |
| 40 milk pans, | 9 00 |
| 4 tin milk pails, | 3 00 |
| Stone and wooden ware, | 11 00 |
| Crockery and silver ware, | 10 00 |

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| 7 chests drawers, | 15 00 | |
| 1 syringe, | 1 50 | |
| 1 table cover, | 2 25 | |
| 9 cider and vinegar casks, | 9 00 | |
| 5 meat barrels, | 5 00 | |
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| | | \$295 65 |
| Total amount of personal property, | \$2,346 98 | |
| Value of real estate, | 5,000 | |

Total amount of town farm
property, \$7,346 98

RECAPITULATION.

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| Income from farm, | 652 63 | |
| Received from Samuel Frazier for wood, | 6 50 | |
| “ Sweetser & Co., potatoes, | 50 39 | |
| “ W. A. Harris, cow and hay, | 48 12 | |
| “ Daniel Devine, | 89 00 | |
| “ M. Putnam, for cow, | 40 00 | |
| “ Town of Northborough, | 20 00 | |
| “ Mr. Garret, small pox patient, | 14 64 | |
| “ Town of Quincy, | 14 90 | |
| “ Mrs. James Sutcliff, | 2 32 | |
| “ City of Worcester, | 44 24 | |
| Amount drawn from Treasury, | 2,204 20 | |
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| | | \$3,186 94 |
| Expenditures at Almshouse, | 1,328 95 | |
| Support of poor away from farm, | 849 08 | |
| State paupers, | 721 85 | |
| Small pox expenses, | 163 51 | |
| Services and expenses of Overseers, | 182 00 | |
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| | 3,245 39 | |
| Less Reuben Gassets' aid from town of Townsend paid to D. Atwood, Treas., | 58 45 | |
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| | | 3,186 94 |

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Dr.

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| To Inventory of March 1st, 1874, | 2,660 70 | |
| Expenses at the Almshouse, for the year ending March 1st, 1875, | 1,328 95 | |
| Interest on farm, | 300 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$4,289 65 |

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|---|----------|--|
| By amount of Inventory, March 1st, 1875, | 2,346 98 | |
| Produce sold from farm and labor of Agent, | 652 63 | |

Bills collected by M. Putnam for lumber,
hay, wood, &c., 145 01

460 weeks board of paupers, (including
Agent and wife,) at a fraction over

2 48 per week, 1,145 03

\$4,289 65

Whole number supported and relieved at

Almshouse, 10.

Average number, 7.

Present number, 7.

Due from Aleck Bonzey, 73 00

" G. F. Massey, 67 50

Respectfully submitted,

MAYNARD PUTNAM,
WARREN A. HARRIS,
ROBERT JONES.

MILLBURY, MARCH 1, 1875.

Report of Trustees of Cemeteries.

DR. For orders received of Selectmen, 799 10
" Cash received for wood, 18 50

\$817 60

Cr. By Cash paid for labor, W. M. Cemetery, 28 75

" do do Dwinnell do 110 20

" do do Central do 503 54

" do do materials and

building fence at Central Cemetery, 148 41

" paid for tools, powder and hay seed, 27 00

\$817 60

N. H. SEARS,
B. B. HOWARD,
BENJAMIN FLAGG, } Trustees.

Report of the Road Commissioners,

TO MARCH, 1st, 1875.

HIGHWAY REPAIRS.

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Bill of Warren Sweetser, | \$560 00 |
| C. P. Streeter, | 1,148 04 |
| J. E. Waters, | 888 75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,596 79 |

NEW ROADS AND STREETS.

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| Paid G. T. Lincoln for Building Sycamore Street, | 1,250 00 |
| for Land Damages, | 423 37 |
| Building Summit Street, | 200 00 |
| “ Curve “ | 250 00 |
| “ Road to J. G. Wood's Mill, | 625 00 |
| “ Railing and Lumber for same, | 18 00 |
| “ Land Damages, | 150 00 |
| “ do., to A. York, | 175 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,091 37 |

BRIDGES, RAILING AND CULVERTS.

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|---|------------|
| Paid for Lumber for Armory Bridge, | 482 54 |
| Wood, stone, and other work on same, | 367 70 |
| Sewer-pipe, stone gutter and gravel work, | 389 94 |
| Stock and work on Railing, | 511 68 |
| Work on Culverts, | 6 00 |
| Repairs on Gowan bridge, | 65 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,822 86 |

COUNTY ROADS.

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|---|----------|
| Paid for widening County road, near Gowan bridge, | 550 00 |
| do., in Bramanville, | 100 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$650 00 |

SIDE-WALKS.

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| Paid for Side-walks in Armory Village, | 596 36 |
| do., Bramanville, | 593 75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,190 11 |

SURVEYING ROADS AND STREETS.

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| Paid for 400 Stone monuments, | 106 00 |
| J. E. Waters for surveying and setting monuments, | 172 00 |
| M. D. Garfield for surveying, | 384 30 |
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| | \$662 30 |

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

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| Paid for Gravel, | \$89 91 |
| Sharpening tools, | 2 55 |
| G. Hall, for damage sustained on Highway, | 3 00 |
| Sundries for breaking snow paths, 1874, | 32 60 |
| John Hopkins for services before County Commissioners, | 10 00 |
| Road Commissioners for their services, | 175 00 |
| County Commissioners for services, | 25 75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$338 81 |

SUMMARY.

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| Total expended on repairs of Highways, | \$2,596 79 |
| do. New roads and streets, | 3,091 37 |
| do. Bridges, railing and culverts, | 1,822 86 |
| do. Widening county road, | 650 00 |
| do. Side-walks, | 1,190 11 |
| do. Surveying roads and streets, | 662 30 |
| do. Miscellaneous expenses, | 338 86 |
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Whole amount expended, \$10,352 24

ON HAND.

55 Stone monuments and 800 feet of plank.

Appropriations for the year 1874, \$11,045 00

Respectfully submitted.

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| J. E. WATERS, | } <i>Road Com-</i> |
| WARREN SWEETSER, | |
| C. P. STREETER, | |
| | <i>missioners of</i> |
| | <i>Millbury.</i> |

Engineers' Report.

During the past year the three Fire Companies in town have been maintained with their full complement of men as organized at the commencement of the year.

At the burning of the house of J. Sullivan, Companies 3 and 4 were called out, but the flames had gained such headway that it was impossible to prevent the destruction of the building.

With the 550 feet new linen hose purchased this year, it is believed the department is supplied with all the hose necessary for the proper equipment of the fire engines.

No extraordinary expenditure is anticipated during the coming year, and it is recommended that the following sums of money be appropriated for the support of the department for the year ensuing:

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| For pay of firemen, year ending May 1, 1875, | |
| 120 men at \$12, | \$1440.00 |
| For incidentals and contingent expenses, say | 160.00 |
| Total, | <u>\$1600.00</u> |

The following financial exhibit is transcribed from the records of the Board:

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| Received from Town Treasurer, on orders from Selectmen, | |
| 1874, May 1. | 1500 00 |
| Nov. 21, | 479 40 |
| 1875, Feb. 24, | 30 94 |
| 1874. | <u>\$2010 34</u> |
| Mar. 27, Paid E. E. Briery, 8 hours labor on | |
| Engine No. 3, | 2 00 |
| May 1, " C. O. Lombard, services as Eng. | 12 00 |
| " N. Glover, do as steward Co. 5, | 12 00 |
| " Firemen Co. 5, 550 men, a \$10, | 350 00 |
| " Tax payers do. poll tax refunded, | 60 83 |
| 2, " Firemen Co. 4, 45 men, a \$10, | 450 00 |
| " Tax payers do. poll tax refunded, | 88 00 |
| " Firemen Co. 3, 40 men, a \$10, | 400 00 |
| " Tax payers do. poll tax refunded, | 78 00 |

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| | Paid Bill of P. Faron, steward Co. 3, | 10 25 |
| | “ Bill of P. Comisky, asst. do do | 8 00 |
| | “ Bill of B. Dunkerly, 8 hours | |
| | labor on Engine No. 3, | 2 00 |
| 9, | “ Bill of N. White, steward Co. 4, | 6 00 |
| | “ “ P. Bellville, asst. do do | 4 60 |
| | “ “ Sanford & Co., record and | |
| | blank books for Co. 4, | 3 05 |
| | “ “ O. Harper, horses for Engine, | 2 00 |
| June 3, | “ “ express on hose, | 1 00 |
| July 12, | “ “ do hose clamps, | 25 |
| Nov. 6, | “ “ A. G. Oatley, hose clamps, | 21 00 |
| 21, | “ “ J. Clark, 545 feet linen | |
| 1875. | hose and fixtures, | 479 40 |
| Feb. 24, | “ “ W. A. Harris, 1-2 cord of | |
| | wood for Co. 3, | 3 00 |
| | “ M. P. Union, oil, wicks, &c. Co. 4, | 1 71 |
| | “ C. D. Morse & Co., repairs do | 1 50 |
| | “ N. R. Cunningham, stove, &c do. | 13 75 |
| | | —————\$2010 34 |

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| P. SIMPSON, Jr. | } Engineers. |
| I. B. SAYLES, | |
| B. B. HOWARD, | |
| JAS. BRIERLY, | |
| E. A. WATERS, | |

Millbury, Mass., Feb. 57, 1875.

REPORT

OF THE

Trustees of the Town Library.

The Trustees charge themselves with the following sums received from the Town Treasurer :

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| Amount appropriated by vote of the town, | \$500 00 |
| do. received from the dog fund, | 362 06 |
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| | \$862 06 |

which they have expended as follows :

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|---|-------------|
| For rent to April 1, 1875, | \$100 00 |
| For salary of Librarian to April 1, 1875, | 100 00 |
| For new books, | 558 46 |
| For rebinding, | 3 50 |
| For covering books, | 11 74 |
| For catalogues, | 20 00 |
| For stationery and printing, | 5 35 |
| For coal, | 4 75—803 70 |
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| Leaving unexpended a balance of | \$58 36 |
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The extent to which the Library is used appears from the following statistics :

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| Number of different persons charged with books during the year ending March 1, 1875, | 918 |
| Number of volumes taken out, | 8.952 |

Of the large number taken four volumes only have been lost during the year, and during the same time there have been restored to the shelves two volumes previously reported lost.

Many volumes are worn out in the course of the year ; this results from the natural wear and *tear*, incident to their constant circulation, of a certain class of popular works ; some thus worn out should be replaced ; others ought not to be, as in their brief existance, they have outlived the fame of their authors, and are fairly entitled to the epitaph,

“ We wonder what we were begun for,
Seeing we so soon are done for ! ”

There have been added to the Library, by purchase, during the year, four hundred and three volumes, which may be classified as follows :

| | | | |
|-------------|-----|-------------------|----|
| Adventures, | 21 | Biographies, | 58 |
| Fiction, | 127 | Histories, | 73 |
| Poetry, | 16 | Scientific works, | 51 |
| Travels, | 26 | Miscellaneous, | 31 |

In addition to the foregoing, the Library has received from the Hon. Geo. F. Hoar, member of Congress from this District, twenty-five volumes of government publications, so that the total addition has been 428 volumes.

The available space for books in the Library room is well nigh exhausted, and by another year will be fully occupied. Assuming from the very general use of the Library, and from the liberality with which the town has appropriated money for its increase and maintenance, that it is regarded as one of our important institutions, and feeling that it should grow with our growth, the trustees thus early call attention to the fact that more room will soon be needed, and suggest that the authorities of the year ensuing be authorized and directed to make the necessary arrangements. And in this connection it is thought that if the town officers are to occupy for any considerable time their present room, the two rooms might be so connected as to permit the use of one for a waiting room, while the other might be used entirely for books, in which case it would hold the accumulations of many years, and the use of the former as a waiting room under proper rules and regulations, would not interfere with its use by the town officers.

The Trustees respectfully ask for the usual appropriation of \$500, and the amount that may be received from the Dog fund.

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| AMOS ARMSBY, | } Trustees. |
| IRVING B. SAYLES, | |
| JOHN HOPKINS, | |

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Town Warrant, 1875.

WORCESTER, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Millbury, in the County of Worcester,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Millbury, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Millbury, on Monday, the fifteenth day of March, instant, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :

- Art. 1st. To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.
- Art. 2d. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
- Art. 3d. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.
- Art. 4th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges and payment of debt for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5th. To determine the time when all taxes shall be payable, and make regulations concerning the payment of the same.
- Art. 6th. To raise and appropriate money for the care and improvement of the Town Library.
- Art. 7th. To raise and appropriate money for the improvement of the Cemeteries.
- Art. 8th. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors prepared by the selectmen, or take action relating to the same.
- Art. 9th. To see what compensation the Town will allow members of the Fire Department for their services.
- Art. 10th. To see if the Town will authorise their Collector to use all means of collecting Taxes, which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use.
- Art. 11th. To see if the town will authorise their Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town.
- Art. 12th. To choose any committee or committees that may be thought necessary.
- Art. 13th. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to defray expenses of a suitable observance of Memorial Day.
- Art. 14th. To see if the Town will revoke their acceptance of the "Act to provide for the election of Road Commissioners," and abolish said board.

- Art. 15th. To determine the manner of repairing the Highways and Town-ways, and bridges, the year ensuing.
- Art. 16th. To see if the Town will construct sidewalks on Maple and Grove streets.
- Art. 17th. To see if the Town will purchase a small piece of land, front of the house of J. T. Sullivan, on Main Street, in Armory Village.
- Art. 18th. To see if the Town will widen the travel way of the road from the house of B. B. Lincoln, to Worcester line; also the road from said road, to house of Patrick McCluskey.
- Art. 19th. To see if the Town will accept of the town way, as laid out by the Road Commissioners, beginning at Oxford line, near the house of D. S. Putnam: thence east 47 rods to the old road to Oxford, over Flat hill.
- Art. 20th. To see if the Town will accept of the town way, from the County Road, near the house of Leonard M. Stockwell, to the County Road, near the house of Mrs. Leonard Spaulding.
- Art. 21st. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to assist Patrick Doolin in the construction of a private way to his house, from near the barn of Tyler Waters, over the land of said Waters.
- Art. 22d. To see in what manner the town will direct their Town Meetings to be warned.
- Art. 23d. To see if the Town will pave the gutter on the east side of the street, near the Atlanta Mills.
- Art. 24th. To see if the Town will cause the easterly side of the street, near the Providence Street School House, to be railed.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up an attested copy thereof, at each of the Post Offices, and one other public place in said Town, seven days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this fourth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

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| E. E. FORBES, | } Selectmen of |
| JOHN MARTIN, | |
| | } Millbury. |

Report of School Committee.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Millbury:

YOUR Committee respectfully presents the following general and detailed reports for the year ending March 5, 1875.

The Committee was organized for the year by the choice of GEORGE A. FLAGG, as Chairman, and JOHN HOPKINS, Clerk.

The different members were assigned as sub-committees for the several schools, as follows :

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| Bramanville Schools, | Messrs. Bancroft and Atwood. |
| Old Common “ | “ Bancroft and Atwood. |
| West Millbury “ | “ Davidson and Atwood. |
| Greenwood “ | “ Flagg and Harrington. |
| Union “ | “ Flagg and Hopkins. |
| Providence St. “ | “ Flagg and Harrington. |
| Hayward “ | “ Flagg and Hopkins. |

Mr. Atwood resigned in October, 1874, and the Selectmen and School Committee, on Nov. 3d, elected Mr. Irving B. Sayles to serve until the annual town meeting. Mr. Sayles was afterwards elected Clerk of the Committee, Mr. Hopkins having resigned that position.

We have maintained 16 Common Schools during the year, viz.

| | | |
|---------------------|---|-----------------|
| West Millbury, | 1 | Grammar School. |
| “ “ | 1 | Ungraded “ |
| Old Common, | 1 | “ “ |
| Bramanville, | 1 | Grammar “ |
| “ | 1 | Intermediate “ |
| “ | 1 | Primary “ |
| “ | 2 | Sub-Primary “ |
| Millbury Centre, | 1 | Grammar “ |
| “ “ | 1 | Intermediate “ |
| “ “ | 1 | Primary “ |
| “ “ | 1 | Sub-Primary “ |
| Greenwood District, | 1 | Ungraded “ |

The Spring and Summer terms were of eleven weeks each, in length, and the Winter terms of twelve. No school has been kept in the

Hayward district, on account of the small number of scholars in that part of the town.

The statutes provide that compensation for the conveyance of scholars to school can be paid only out of funds appropriated for that purpose by the town. The Committee were therefore obliged to decline to pay out of the funds at their disposal the expense incurred by Mr. Harvey Parkes, in conveying his children to the schools in the Centre. The matter is referred to the town, with the recommendation that a sum sufficient to reimburse him for actual expenses be appropriated and paid to him.

There has been no desire expressed for evening schools, and consequently none have been maintained.

The past year has been in our schools one of general prosperity. For the most part we have retained the same teachers who were with us during the preceding year, and thus the scholars and teachers have been saved from the necessity of spending several weeks of each term in becoming acquainted with each other.

With the exception of colds which have been prevalent during the severe winter which has visited us, no sickness has interfered with the attendance of the scholars.

MUSIC.

Feeling that the success attending the introduction of instruction in Music throughout the schools, was not commensurate with the expense attending this branch, the committee decided at the beginning of the year not to continue this department.

DRAWING.

Instruction in Drawing is made obligatory by law, and has therefore been continued throughout the year. Many circumstances combined to make this branch of our course of study less successful than the Committee could wish. Our teachers are not artists, the majority of our scholars have not artistic tastes. The employment of a competent teacher of drawing might overcome the former difficulty, and a long course of study and application directed by such a teacher, might in a measure offset the latter. But the committee have not as yet thought best to engage a special teacher of drawing, and yet it is unsatisfactory to see that there is in any department of our schools so great room for improvement as in the department of Drawing. That the improvement should be made, or the instruction done away with altogether, seems plain.

PENMANSHIP.

The instruction of penmanship, under a special teacher, Mr. G. W. Thompson, has been continued throughout the year.

During the first half of the Spring term, he visited the Grammar School twice each week, and the Intermediate Schools once.

During the last half of the Spring term, he visited both Grammar and Intermediate, twice each week.

For the Fall term he taught in the Grammar schools twice, and Intermediate once each week, and in the Old Common school once each week, during the first half and twice the last half of the term.

During the Winter term, the Grammar and Intermediate schools twice each week; the Old Common once. In the High and West Millbury schools, the instruction has been given once each week throughout the year.

The expense of this department has been for the year, \$354 73

The improvement exhibited by all under Mr. Thompson's instruction has been marked, and the committee feel that they have complied with at least one of the demands of the present time, that our youth should be taught in our schools what will be of practical use to them in after life.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

Our seven school houses are in good condition and have needed but a small outlay for repairs. In our last report we called the attention of the citizens to the condition of the grounds around the High and Union school houses, and asked for an appropriation to put them in such order that they would be an ornament to our town, they might with little expense be made to be. No money having been appropriated for that purpose, nothing has been done. It is to be hoped that this year the desirability of no longer delay in this matter will be realized, and some action taken at the annual town meeting.

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE.

The greatest drawback under which our schools labor is that of irregular attendance. For this evil, more serious than many realize, the parents of our scholars are in a great degree to blame, and the committee again appeal to them to do their part towards making our school system a success.

It is the duty of parents to see to it, that their children each day go punctually to school, even at the sacrifice of their own convenience. They should not take them away from school after attendance for a few terms for the sake of having them work during a busy season. It is but poor economy to sacrifice the advantage derived from regular attendance for what little may be gained by their labor for a time.

The habit indulged in by too many parents of sending requests to the teachers that, their children be excused before the expiration of

school hours, is a most pernicious one. By such a practice the scholars are taught to believe what many parents seem to think, that our schools are of secondary importance only, that being free, it is full as well to attend them, but only when there is nothing else to occupy a scholar's time. We recommend to our successors on the Board, to take this matter in hand, and through the truant law insist upon more regular attendance.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The High School has been in session forty weeks, during the past school year, under the same teachers as at the time of our last report, viz :

Principal, Joseph Jackson, Jr., Salary, \$1400 per year..

Assistant, Miss Abby B. Johnson, " 600 "

The school has been highly satisfactory to the committee, and great credit is due to both the principal and assistant. We feel that we have been successful in our endeavor to maintain a school of such a grade that it is not necessary to send out of town our youth, who are desirous of an extended course of instruction, in both English and classical branches. The school is well equipped with philosophical apparatus, the school room is neat and well furnished.

That the school is appreciated is manifest by the desire for admission on the part of applicants, and by the fact that our neighboring towns have sent six scholars during the spring and fall terms, and five during the winter. The small number, however, who complete the full course so as to be entitled to a diploma, is to be regretted. Last year, the graduating class numbered but four. This year the number receiving diplomas is six. It is the desire of the committee that this number be increased hereafter, and to this end they invite the cooperation of both parents and pupils.

The graduating exercises of the first class were held in the First Congregational Church, on the evening of March 5th.

The class consisted of Masters Livermore, Paine, Wood. Misses Crosley, Freeland, and Park.

The following statistics have been prepared by Mr. Jackson.

| | First Term. | Second Term. | Third Term. |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Whole number of scholars, | 67 | 62 | 56 |
| Average attendance, | 62 | 54 | 47 |
| Number over 15 years of age, | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| Number of visitors, | 5 | 7 | 11 |

Those neither absent nor tardy during the different terms were, for the first term: Masters Pierce, Aiken, Paine, Slocumb, Chase, Goddard,

Carter, Lincoln, Mulhane. Misses Spaulding, Atwood, Brierly, Freeman, Stratton, Harding, Wheelock, Howard.

For the second term: Masters Pierce, Paine, Slocomb, Carter, Mack. Miss Freeman.

For the third term: Misses Stratton and Wheelock.

The attendance during the 3d term was very much broken up by the unusual prevalence of severe colds and throat disease.

Judson Irving Wood ranked first, Mary Freeland ranked second, in the 1st class.

The reports of the Sub-Committees for the several schools are hereto annexed and presented to the town.

[For Financial Exhibit of Common Schools, see next page.]

HIGH SCHOOL,—Joseph Jackson, Jr., Salary \$1400 00
Miss Abby B. Johnson, “ 600 00—\$2000 00

PENMANSHIP.—1st term, G. W. Thompson, 114 24
2d “ “ 114 49
3d “ “ 126 00—\$354 73

We have received from the Selectmen, Orders to the amount of the appropriation, viz :

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| For support of Schools, | \$8000 00 |
| Repairs, | 300 00 |
| Amount of School Fund, | 359 76 |
| “ Tuition at High School, | 96 00—\$8755 76 |

We have expended—

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| For Teachers' salaries, Common Schools, | \$4873 00 |
| “ “ High School, | 2000 00 |
| “ “ Penmanship, | 354 73 |
| For various bills of last year, | 325 60 |
| “ care and supplies, | 649 24 |
| “ fuel, | 490 38 |
| “ repairs, | 250 02—\$8942 97 |

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| Balance due School Committee, | \$187 21 |
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We respectfully ask that for the ensuing year the town appropriate for the support of schools, \$8000, and for repairs of school buildings, \$300, being the same amounts appropriated as last year.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Committee,

GEORGE A. FLAGG, *Chairman.*

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.—COMMON SCHOOLS.

| NAME OF SCHOOL. | Terms | TEACHERS. | Length | Salary | AMOUNT. TOTAL. |
|-----------------------------|-------|----------------------|--------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| West Millbury, Grammar, | 1 | Lucy A. Hayward, | 11 | 10 | 110 00 |
| " " " | 2 | Lucy A. Harding, | 11 | 10 | 110 00 |
| " " " | 3 | Anna M. Bemis. | 12 | 10 | 120 00—\$340 00 |
| " Primary, | 2 | Mrs. J. E. Brierly, | 11 | 8 | 88 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | 8 | 96 00—184 00 |
| Bramanville, Grammar, | 1 | Martha P. Sibley, | 11 | 10 ¹ / ₂ | 115 50 |
| " " " | 2 | Anna M. Bemis, | 11 | 10 ¹ / ₂ | 115 50 |
| " " " | 3 | Martha P. Sibley, | 12 | " | 126 00 357 00 |
| " Intermediate, | 1 | Hattie A. Little, | 11 | 9 ¹ / ₂ | 104 50 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 104 50 |
| " " " | 3 | Mary E. Penniman, | 12 | " | 114 00—323 00 |
| " Primary, | 1 | Frances A. Browning | 11 | " | 104 50 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 104 50 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | " | 114 00—323 00 |
| " Sub-Primary, | 1 | Nellie M. Nye, | 11 | 8 | 88 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 88 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | " | 96 00—274 00 |
| " " 2d, | 1 | Minnie A. Marble, | 11 | 6 | 66 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 66 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | " | 72 00—204 00 |
| Union, Grammar, | 1 | Julia A. Bunker, | 11 | 11 | 121 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 121 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | " | 132 00—374 00 |
| " Intermediate, | 1 | Isabelle E. Stiles, | 11 | 9 | 99 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 99 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | 10 | 120 00—318 00 |
| " Primary, | 1 | M. A. Holden, | 11 | 9 | 99 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | 9 | 99 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | 9 | 108 00—306 00 |
| " Sub Primary, | 1 | Mrs. E. A. Webber, | 11 | 10 | 110 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | 10 | 110 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | 10 | 120 00—340 00 |
| Prov. Street. Intermediate, | 1 | Jennie Kneeland, | 11 | 9 | 99 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 99 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | " | 108 09—306 09 |
| " Primary, | 1 | Philinda A. Herrick, | 11 | 8 | 88 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 88 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | " | 96 00—272 00 |
| " Sub-Primary, | 1 | Hattie E. Forbes, | 11 | 9 | 99 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 99 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | " | 108 00—306 00 |
| Old Common, | 1 | Fannie E. Carter, | 11 | " | 99 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | " | 99 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | " | 108 00—306 00 |
| Greenwood, | 1 | Lizzie S. Alger, | 11 | 10 | 110 00 |
| " " " | 2 | " | 11 | 10 | 110 00 |
| " " " | 3 | " | 12 | 10 | 120 00—340 00 |

Total Teachers' Salaries in Common Schools,.....\$4873 00

REPORTS OF SUB-COMMITTEES.

UNION GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Julia A. Bunker, Teacher.

Length of school in weeks, 34. Wages of teacher per week, \$11.

Whole number in attendance, first term, 33, second term, 32, third term, 37.

Average attendance for the year, 29.

Whole number of tardy marks : first term, 52, second term, 29, third term, 78.

Whole number not tardy : first term, 21, second term, 26, third term, 19.

Whole number not absent : first term, 9, second term, 12, third term, 7.

Whole number not absent during the year, 4.

Whole number of visits by committee and others, 32.

The foregoing statistics as to absence and tardiness, by comparison with the report of last year, indicate an improvement very creditable to teacher and pupils.

UNION INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Isabelle E. Stiles, Teacher.

Length of school in weeks, 34. Wages of teacher per week, first and second terms, \$9, third term, 10.

Whole number in attendance : first term, 41, second term, 37, third term, 36.

Average attendance for the year, 33.

Whole number of tardy marks : first term, 52, second term, 40, third term, 101.

Whole number not tardy : first term, 24, second term 24, third term, 8.

Whole number not absent : first term, 9, second term 8, third term, 5.

Whole number not absent during the year, 2.

Number of visits by members of the committee and others, 25.

UNION PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Martha A. Holden, Teacher.

Length of school in weeks, 34. Wages of teacher per week, \$9.

Whole number in attendance : first term, 45, second term, 55, third term, 55.

Average attendance for the year, 45.

Whole number of tardy marks : first term, 48, second term, 45, third term 68.

Whole number not tardy : first term, 22, second term, 33, third term, 29.

Whole number not absent: first term, 5, second term, 3, third term, 7.
 Number of visits by members of the committee and others, 41.

UNION SUB-PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Eliza A. Webber, Teacher.

Length of schools in weeks, 34. Wages of teacher per week, \$10.

Whole number in attendance: first term, 86, second term, 95, third term, 95.

Average attendance for the year, 82.

Whole number of tardy marks: first term, 130, second term, 81, third term, 193.

Whole number not tardy: first term, 40, second term, 52, third term, 44.

Whole number not absent: first term, 31, second term, 37, third term, 33.

Number visits by members of the committee and others, 28.

In behalf of the schools in the Union District, the committee urge upon parents, the desirability of a more frequent visitation than appears to have been given them during the past year.

The work of our children in the school room, is of the utmost importance to them as individuals, and to us as parents and citizens; and the degree of proficiency which they attain, depends upon the interest which they feel in the studies of the school room, very much.

The interest necessarily incident to the study itself, is quickened and made more permanent by the reflex influence of the parent's interest, and the knowledge that they do not lightly esteem the work in which their children are engaged.

JOHN HOPKINS, *Sub-Committee.*

SCHOOLS IN BRAMANVILLE.

The two Sub-Primary and the Primary, have had the same teachers through the year as last year, viz:

Primary, Miss Fannie A. Browning. 1st. Sub-Primary, Nellie M. Nye. 2d Sub Primary, Minnie A. Marble. No more need be said of these teachers, than that they have fully sustained the standard of excellence before earned.

Primary.—Whole number in attendance: Spring term, 33, Fall term, 33, Winter term, 35. Average, Spring, 27, Fall, 27, Winter, 29.

1st Sub-Primary.—Whole number in attendance, Spring term, 49, Fall term, 58, Winter term, 47. Average, Spring, 42, Fall, 52, Winter, 37.

2d Sub-Primary.—Whole number in attendance, Spring term, 35,

Fall term, 34, Winter term, 23. Average, Spring, 26, Fall, 24, Winter, 16.

The Grammar School was taught by Miss Martha P. Sibley, the Spring term by Miss Anna Bemis; and by Miss Sibley again in the Winter term. The school has done well through the year.

Miss Sibley, who has had the school for several years has fully kept up the high standard of interest and progress in the studies in the two terms that she has taught, and Miss Bemis, although laboring under the disadvantage of being temporary supply, labored hard and faithfully to bring the school up to her high ideas of what a school should be.

Whole number in attendance: Spring term, 28, Fall term, 26, Winter term, 31. Average, Spring, 25, Fall, 21, Winter, 28.

The Intermediate School had Miss Mattie Little for teacher, in the Spring and Fall terms, who had her usual good success in this school.

The Winter term was taught by Mrs. Mary E. Penniman, who fully realized the expectations of the committee; by kindness and firmness keeping good order in this most difficult period of schooling, when the children are too old to be instructed in small things, and too young to be instructed in large things, gaining the respect and confidence of parents and also of the scholars. Wages of teachers: Grammar School, \$10 50 per week; Intermediate, \$9 50; Sub-Primary, \$8; 2d Sub-primary, \$6.

Whole number in attendance: Spring term, 35, Fall term, 34, Winter term, 36. Average, Spring, 29, Fall, 31, Winter, 30.

BRAMANVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Neither absent or tardy during the entire year: Nellie Broadbent, Estella Brierly.

Neither absent or tardy during Spring term: Maria McLaughlin, Nellie Broadbent, Estella Brierly, Nettie Powers, Mattie Bancroft, Walter J. Brierly, Irving M. Spaulding, James Brierly, Alfred Ladd.

Fall term: Estella Brierly, Nellie Broadbent.

Winter term: Olive Powers, Nettie Powers, Maria McLaughlin, Clara Livsey, Nellie Broadbent, Estella Brierly, J. Herbert Bancroft, Charles Shaw, Irving M. Spaulding.

OLD COMMON SCHOOL.

David Atwood and H. L. Bancroft, Sub-Committee.

Teacher, Fannie E. Carter; wages per week, \$9.

Whole number: Spring term, 27, Fall term, 28, Winter term, 31.

Average attendance, Spring term, 24, Fall term: 26, Winter term, 24.

This School has been taught through the year by Miss Fannie E. Carter, one of our own High School gradnates, to the satisfaction of the committee. There has been continued improvement through the year, both in the studies taught, and the good order and discipline of the school.

Not absent or tardy during the winter term: Belle Pierce, Elvira Dana, Edith Burt, Alice Hall, George Marble, Willie Carter, Eugene Hall, Walter Burt.

H. L. BANCROFT, Sub-Committee.

WEST MILLBURY SCHOOLS.

Sub-Committee, H. W. Davidson.

At the commencement of the year, by vote of the committee, the Grammar and Primary Schools were put together, and taught by Lucy A. Hayward, who gave very good satisfaction. The school was larger than expected, and being of ages from five to fifteen, it was difficult to classify them so as to give each class much time.

Whole number in attendance, 47. Average, 41.

At the beginning of the second term, it was thought best to divide the school, there being more scholars than could be seated in the upper room.

Teacher for the second term: Miss Lucy A. Harding. Teacher for the third term: Miss Anna M. Bemis.

Whole number in attendance: second term, 22; average 20. Third term, 22; average, 19.

The School under Miss Harding made fair progress in studies. Miss Bemis, a graduate of Framingham Normal School, expected much of her pupils, gave them thorough drill in their studies, and worked faithfully to bring the school up to a high standard.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Teacher for the Fall and Winter terms: Mrs. Julia E. Brierley.

Whole number in attendance; Fall term, 29; average, 26. Winter term, 28; average, 24.

Mrs. Brierley soon gained the love and attention of her scholars. Good order prevailed, and rapid advancement was made in studies. The closing examination showed what can be accomplished when teacher and scholars work together.

PROVIDENCE ST. SUB-PRIMARY.

Hattie E. Forbes, teacher. Wages per week, \$9.

Whole number in attendance: 1st term, 66. Average 51. 2d term, 76. Average, 59. 3d term, 70. Average, 54. Average for the year, 55.

ROLL OF HONOR:— List of those not absent or tardy: 1st term, C. Green, Elmira Perot, Julia DeGrote. 2d term, Joseph Beeso, John Cronan, Samuel Graves, Chauncey Green, Julia DeGrote, Kate Duggan, Hattie Graves. 3d term, John Cronan, Joseph Boucher, Chauncey Green, Hattie Ryan.

Not absent or tardy during the year: Chauncey Green. Not tardy during the year: Joseph Beeso, Julia DeGrote, Hattie Ryan, Ada Ryan, Hattie Graves, Bennie Green.

PROVIDENCE ST. PRIMARY.

Philinda A. Herrick, Teacher. Wages per week, \$8.

Whole number, 1st term, 34. Average attendance, 30. 2d term, 32. Average attendance, 27. 3d term, 31. Average attendance, 28. Average in attendance, 28.

1st term, not tardy: Frank Moffat, Lewis Donny, Edward Bell, Dutee Pierce, Arthur McDonald, John D. Garvey, Leon Case, Willie Connors, Daniel Brady, James Sheehan, James Draggan, Lizzie Garvey. 2d term, Eddie Bell, Josie Brown, Daniel Braney, Thomas Cronin, Willie Connors, John Garvey, Arthur McDonald, Allie Tourtelotte, Willie Walden, Lizzie Garvey, Mary McVay, Elmer Perot, Minnie Simpson, Sarah Waterson. 3d term, Eddie Bell, Leon Case, Willie Connors, Herbert Everett, John Garvey, James Sheehan, Annie Balentine, Hannah Donovan, Lizzie Garvey.

Not tardy during the year, Thomas Cronon, Willie Connors, Sarah Waterson.

GREENWOOD DISTRICT.

Miss L. A. Alger, teacher. Wages per week, \$10.

Whole number, first term, 35. Average, 30. 2d term, 35. Average 32. 3d term, 39. Average 33.

Average attendance for the year, 31.

ROLL OF HONOR:—Not absent during the year: Mary A. Woodward, Susan Dempsey, Daniel Dempsey, Dennis Hope.

Not tardy: Patrick Murphy, Susan Dempsey, Sarah Farley, Daniel Dempsey, James Farley, Barbara Fitzpatrick.

Whole number of tardy marks during the year, 65.

